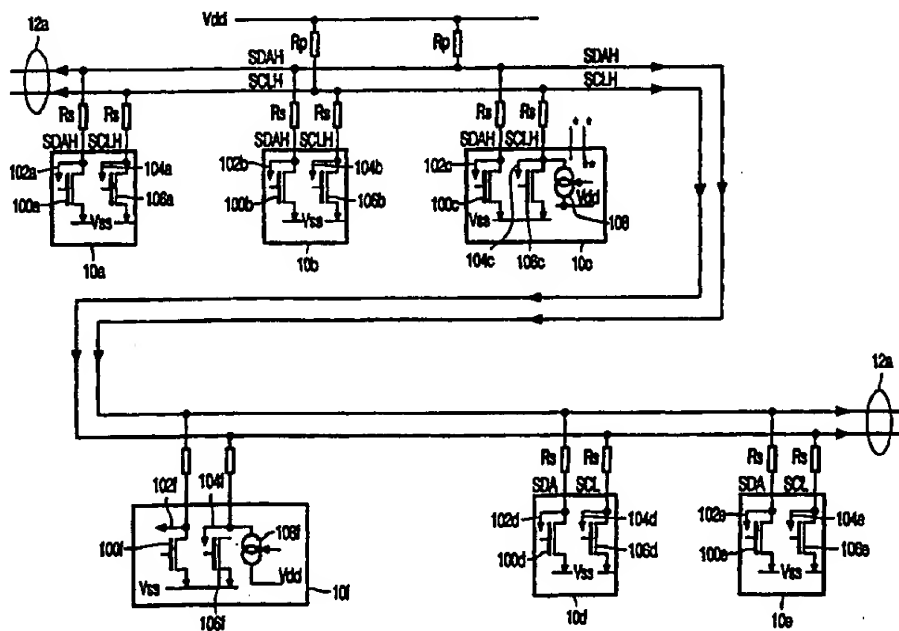




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## (57) Abstract

An electronic apparatus uses a bus conductor driven by a wired logic to arbitrate between stations. When arbitration is decided, the apparatus switches to a higher speed mode by supplying additional current to the bus conductor, so that the winning station pulls the potential on the bus conductor against a greater current and the potential rises faster when the station stops pulling the potential.

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